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High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation

The General Assembly,

Reaffirming its resolution 33/134 of 19 December 1978, in which it endorsed the Buenos Aires Plan of Action for Promoting and Implementing Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries,[1]

Recalling the 2005 World Summit Outcome,[2]

Recalling also its resolution 62/209 of 19 December 2007, in which it decided to convene a High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the President of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation submitted pursuant to its resolution 62/209,[3]

Reaffirming its previous relevant resolutions pertaining to South-South cooperation,

1. *Decides* that the High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation shall be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York in September 2009 and at the highest possible political level, including the participation of Heads of State and Government, ministers, special representatives and other representatives;

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

[1] *Report of the United Nations Conference on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries, Buenos Aires, 30 August-12 September 1978* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.78.II.A.11 and corrigendum), chap. I.

[2] See resolution 60/1.

[3] A/C.2/63/7, annex, attachment III.

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2. *Also decides* to designate the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation to act as the Preparatory Committee for the Conference with the mandate to decide on the modalities, the date of the Conference and the preparation of its final outcome and, in this regard, decides to postpone the sixteenth session of the High-level Committee to November 2009;

3. *Further decides* to entrust the President of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation with proposing a programme of work for the Preparatory Committee in consultation with Member States, taking into account relevant meetings scheduled for 2009 and their expected outcomes; and in this context, determines that the Preparatory Committee for the Conference should convene its organizational meeting in January 2009;

4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in consultation with the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, to take all appropriate measures to implement the present resolution.